Application No.: 10/560,316

Response and Preliminary Amendment dated March 12, 2010 Reply to Restriction Requirement of November 13, 2009

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## RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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### PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

This paper is responsive to the Restriction Requirement mailed November 13, 2009 in connection with the above-identified patent application.

**Response to Restriction Requirement** begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the Listing of Claims, which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 9 of this paper.

# **General Authorization of Payment of Fees**

If any fees are due in this application, whether or not associated with this filing, please charge any fees due to Deposit Account No. 19-0733. Any necessary extensions of time are hereby requested.

## **Response to Election of Species Requirement**

In response, Applicants elect, <u>without traverse</u>, the invention of Group I, relating to claims 1-38, drawn to a disc comprising a data portion located properly by a start position causing a first reader to fail and a second portion located by an actual position that allows reading.

Applicants reserve the right to file a divisional application directed to the subject matter of the non-elected claims prior to the termination of proceedings in this patent application.